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 Ailanthus, Tree of Heaven.
 Aloe, succulent.
 Alysia, Lemon Verbena.
 Althea in variety.
 Alternanthera, red, yellow.
 Amomum Cardamomum.
 Ampelopsis quinquefolia.
 Veitchii.

Anemone pulsatilla.
 Coronaria (Poppy Anem.).
 Japonica, white, rose.
 Whirlwind, white.
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 Aquilegia in variety.
 Arabis Alpina.
 Arisema triphylla.
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 Asparagus comoriensis.
 Sprengeri.
 Plumosus Nanus.
 Aubrietia, hardy.
 Angelonia grandiflora.
 Begonia, Honeywell.
 Margarita.
 M. de Lesseps.
 Nitida.
 Pres. Carnot.
 Sandersoni.
 Souv. de Pres. Gillaume.
 Weltoniensis, white.
 Red.
 Cut-leaved.
 Fucsioides.
 Foliosa.
 Bryophyllum calycinum.

Begonia, Tuberous, Giant.
 White, Crimson, Rose.
 Pink, Scarlet, Yellow.
 Buxus sempervirens.
 Cactus in variety.
 Caladium esculentum.
 Callicarpa purpurea.
 Calliopsis grandiflora.
 Callirhoe involucrata.
 Calceolaria hybrida.
 Calla, spotted leaf.
 Campanula calycanthema.
 Campanula, white.
 Campylobotrys regia.
 Carnation, hardy garden.
 Caryopteris Mastacanthus.
 Canna, in variety.
 Centaurea candidissima.
 Cestrum parqui.
 Laurifolium.
 Poeticus.
 Chelone barbata.
 Chrysanthemum in sorts.
 Miller's crimson.
 Cicuta maculata.
 Cineraria hybrida.
 Maritima.
 Stellata.
 Cissus Heterophylla.
 Clematis vitalba.
 Clerodendron Balfouri.
 Cocoloba platyclada.
 Coleus, Beckwith.
 Firebrand.
 Fire Crest.
 Fancy in variety.
 Glory of Autumn.
 Golden Bedder.
 Marquis.
 Rob Roy, fringed.
 Commelina coelestis.
 Commelina celestis.
 Centrosema grandiflora.
 Convolvulus mauritanicus.
 Coral Tree, Erythrina.
 Coreopsis lanceolata.
 Coronilla glauca.
 Crape Myrtle, pink.
 Crassula cordata.
 Cyperus alternifolius.
 Cyclamen Persicum.
 Splendens, crimson.
 Superbum roseum.
 Cytisus laburnum.
 Daisy delicate.
 Daisy, double white.
 Daisy, Longfellow, red.
 Deutzia gracilis.
 Crenata, double.

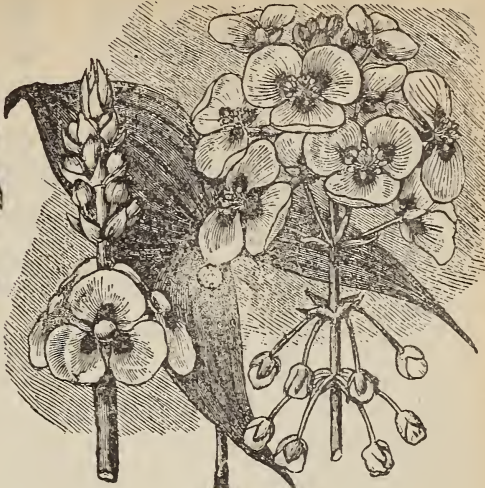
Dianthus, Sweet William.
 Double white.
 Double crimson.
 Double margined.
 Plumarius, clove.
 Dielytra eximia.
 Spectabilis.
 Eranthemum pulchellum.
 Eucalyptis globosus.
 Euonymus Japonica aurea.
 Radians variegata.
 Eupatorium riparium.
 Serrulatum.
 [NOTE.—Eupatorium riparium is a winter-blooming pot plant, bearing clusters of white, brush-like flowers in profusion. It is sure to bloom, and the flowers are fine for cutting.]
 Euphorbia splendens.
 Ferns, tender, in variety.
 Ferraria Canariensis.
 Grandiflora alba.
 Speciosa, red.

[NOTE.—These superb bulbous plants, belonging to the Iris family, bloom throughout the summer, and are showy and greatly admired. They are often known as Tigridia, the older varieties of which are sometimes seen in gardens, but the new, improved varieties above described and offered are rare and far superior.]
 Forsythia viridissima.
 Suspensa.
 Fuchsia, Avalanche.
 Black Prince.
 Chas. Blanc.
 Gloire des Marches.
 Little Prince.
 Mrs. E. G. Hill.
 Monarch.
 Oriflamme.
 Peasant Girl.
 Rosa Patric.
 Speciosa.
 Fankia, Day Lily.
 Undulata.
 Geranium, Foliage:
 Bronze Bedder.
 Distinction.
 Happy Thought.
 Mrs. Parker.
 Geranium Maculatum.
 Geranium sanguineum.

Geranium, Scented:
 Fern-leaved.
 Rose-scented.
 Walnut-scented.
 Geranium, Flowering:
 Mrs. Hill.
 America.
 Bruanti.
 Centaure.
 Dr. Denny.
 Granville.
 John Doyle.
 Jean Viaud.
 La Favorite.
 Mme. Conover.
 Miss Perkins.
 Miss Kendall.
 Mme. Barney.
 New Life.
 S. A. Nutt.
 Wonder.
 White Swan.
 [NOTE.—Geranium Americanum is a compact growing sort blooming with wonderful freedom. The flowers are pink, shaded white, and come in large clusters. It is a first-class winter-blooming Geranium; also does well in summer beds.]
 Gladiolus, May.
 In variety, named.
 Gloxinia, Giant Blue, Red, White, Spotted, Kaiser Frederick, Kaiser Wm.
 Helianthus tuberosum.
 Heliotrope, White Lady.
 New Light Blue.
 Dark Blue. Violet.
 Hemerocallis flava.
 Fulva.
 Seiboldii.
 Thunbergii.
 Heterocentron alba.
 [NOTE.—Heterocentron alba is an easily-grown window plant, sure to bloom in winter.]
 Hibiscus sinensis, red.
 Aurantiacus.
 Carminatus grandiflorus.
 Gen. Courtizis.
 Magnifica.
 Sub Violaceus.
 Hibiscus Crispum Eye.
 Honeysuckle, Hall's.
 Reticulata aurea.
 Hyacinthus candicans.
 Hydrangea in variety.



IMPATIENS SULTANI.



SAGITTARIA.

Impatiens Sultani.
Ipomoea limbata.
Iris fetidissima.
Florentina.
Germanica, in sorts.
Versicolor, blue.
Ivy, English.
Variegated.
Abbotsford.
Kenilworth (Linaria).
Jasminum gracillimum.
Grandiflorum.
Dark Duke.
Nudiflorum, hardy.
Revolutum.
Justicia carnea.
Justicia sanguinea.
Kerria Japonica.
Kudzu Vine.
Kenilworth Ivy.
Lantana, Don Calmet.
In variety.
Lavatera arborea.
Leucanthemum max.
Lily of the Valley.
[NOTE.—Lily of the Valley will grow and bloom in a shady place where many other flowers will die. The plants are perfectly hardy, and the racemes of flowers waxy white and fragrant.]
Linum perenne.
Lobelia, Royal Purple.
Barnard's Perpetual.
Lopesia rosea.
[NOTE.—Graceful, ever-blooming Mosquito Flower. It needs a trellis, is of easy culture, and sure to bloom in winter. It should be in every window collection.]
Lophospermum scandens.
Madeira Vine.
Mackaya bella.
Malva Moschata.
Mesembryanthemum grandiflorum.
Actinaciforme.
Meyenia erecta.
Mina lobata.
Montbretia Etoile de Feu.
Myosotis, Forget-me-not.
Nepeta, Catnip.
Old Man.
Oxalis, Bermuda Buttercup.
Hirta rosea.
Oxalis in variety.
Palm, Phoenix Canariensis.
Washingtonia robusta.
Paulownia Imperialis.
Physalis fancheti.

Pansy, in variety.
Parsley, Moss-curved.
[NOTE.—Parsley is a beautiful plant in foliage, and the sprays are much used in culinary work for garnishing. It is also used in soups as flavoring.]
Passiflora incarnata, red.
Cœrulea, blue.
Persicaria cuspidata.
Peristrophe variegata.
Petunia, finest double.
Philadelphus grandiflorus.
Phlox, Perennial.
Amio Vibert.
[NOTE.—Phlox, A. m. e. Vibert, is one of the most desirable. The plants are exceedingly floriferous, and a clump or border in bloom is grand. Fine also for the cemetery.]
Plumbago capensis.
Podophyllum peltatum.
Polygonatum racemosum.
Pomegranate, Jas. Vick.
Primula, Fern-leaved.
Mallow-leaved.
Floribunda.
Forbesi.
Obconica grandiflora.
Verticillata.
[NOTE.—All of the above Primroses are excellent plants for winter blooming.]
The above collection Primroses, 6 plants, mailed for 75c.
Privet, California.
Ranunculus, French.
Rudbeckia, Golden Glow.
[NOTE.—Golden Glow is a hardy perennial bearing a mass of double golden flowers in autumn. It is perfectly hardy, of easy culture, and sure to bloom. It is especially handsome when grown upon the bank of a stream.]
Ruellia Makoyana.
Formosa, scarlet.
[NOTE.—Ruellia Makoyana has handsome variegated foliage, and rosy carmine, tubular flowers. It is a pretty pot plant for either summer or winter, and mostly does well in an ordinary window.]
Rose, climbing sorts.
Everblooming, all colors.

Rose, Ball of Snow, hardy.
[NOTE.—Double white.]
Rivinia humilis.
Russelia elegantissima.
Juncea.
[NOTE.—Russelia elegantissima is a truly beautiful Fountain Plant of easy culture. The flowers are rich scarlet, and borne in great profusion upon elegant weeping branches. It should be in every collection.]
Sagittaria variabilis.
[NOTE.—This is a fine Aquatic; leaves arrow-shaped; flowers white, in scapes.]
Salvia splendens.
Rutilans.
Pineapple-scented.
Saponaria ocyoides.
Sansevieria Zeylanica.
Saxifraga peltata.
Schinus molle.
Scutellaria pulchella.
Solanum racemigerum.
Smilax, Boston.
[NOTE.—Boston Smilax is an elegant vine for a pot trellis. The foliage is very graceful, shining, and rich, and lasts well when cut; the flowers are small, white, in clusters and deliciously scented; they are succeeded by scarlet berries which hang on for weeks.]
Spirea, Anthony Waterer.
Filipendula.
Palmeta elegans.
Reevesi.
Japonica.
Spotted Calla, large.
[NOTE.—This is a beautiful plant for its foliage alone, which is graceful and distinctly spotted with white; the flowers are Calla-like with a purple center. It does well either in pots or beds.]
Strobilanthes anisophyllus.
Dyerianus.
[NOTE.—Strobilanthes anisophyllus has charming foliage and blooms freely in winter, the flower being tubular, lavender and showy. S. Dyerianus has gorgeous rosy purple foliage and is a fine foliage plant.]
Tansy, herb.

Tradescantia variegata.
Torenia Speciosa.
Tritoma Uvaria.
[NOTE.—Tritoma is known as "Red-hot Poker."]
Tuberose, large size.
Tunica Saxifraga.
[NOTE.—Tunica is a splendid hardy plant for a margin. Its foliage is delicate, dense, rich green, and it is constantly spangled with little rosy, cup-like flowers. Fine also for pots.]
Verbena, Hardy.
[NOTE.—I am pleased to offer plants of the hardy purple Verbena, a lovely perennial that blooms continuously if cut freely. The flowers come in large clusters, are rosy purple, and deliciously scented. It is very desirable for a bed, as it blooms with the Tulips in early spring, and accompanies the late Chrysanthemums in autumn; excellent for cemetery planting.]
Veronica spicata.
Imperialis.
Viola, Lady Campbell.
La France.
Swanley White.
[NOTE.—Lady Campbell is the best of double blue Sweet Violets; the plants are free from disease and are very free-blooming. La France is a single Violet of more than ordinary beauty, very large and fragrant. Some prefer it to Lady Campbell. Swanley White is a double white Violet. All are beautiful and of easy culture.]
Weeping Willow.
[NOTE.—This is a very beautiful weeping tree.]
Weigela floribunda.
Variegata.
Yucca filamentosa.
[NOTE.—This has sword-like foliage that keeps green throughout the winter and summer, and the flowers are borne on tall panicles, are white, drooping, fragrant and beautiful. It is lasting, and a first-class cemetery plant.]

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O BOB-O-LINK DIP LOW!

A flash of color skims the grasses over,
O Bob-o-link, dip low!
Straight to your mistress, in her grassy cover,
Across the meadows, go!

O Bob-o-link, the welcome that awaits you!
O swaying grasses bend!
O Bob-o-link dip low, she waits, she waits you,
Here, at your journey's end!

Vineland, N. J.

Ina Lord McDavitt.

GERANIUM AMERICA.

MOST of those who cultivate flowers in the garden and window are acquainted with the dwarf, free-blooming variety freely advertised some years ago under the name of Mars. None ever complained of that variety failing to bloom. Its whole effort seemed to be to produce flowers, and it did this at the expense of growth, so that the flowers, and even the leaves often had a stunted, weakly appearance. This was its great fault, and was overcome in the very handsome Geranium shown in the engraving, named America, a variety which originated from the old Mars. The growth of this sort, while dwarf, is much more satisfactory than Mars. The flowers are larger, deeper colored, borne in large clusters, and on longer stems. It is one of the finest Geraniums for either pots or beds, the color being beautiful pink, shaded sometimes to flesh white. It is excellent for either summer or winter blooming.



GERANIUM AMERICA.

Sowing Perennials.—July is a good month in which to sow perennial seeds. Perennial Aster, Campanula, Columbin, Carnation, Delphinium, Gaillardia, Hollyhock, Incarvillea, Honesty, Heuchera, Pansy, Perennial Poppy, Platycodon, Primula, Rocket, Saponaria Ocymoides, Sweet Williams, and many others do well.

RESETTING PLANTS.

THERE are many herbaceous perennials that are injured by resetting often. Most of the Lilies are of this class, and Funkias, Pæonies and Hemerocallis likewise resent frequent disturbance. In most cases plants should remain unmolested for from three to five years, and certain kinds should stay in one place for from five to eight years. As a rule the cultivator can tell by the thrift of a plant whether it needs resetting or not, and should act accordingly. The following remarks upon lifting and dividing plants may be of interest to those who have a bed of perennials:

MR. EDITOR:—I have always found the early autumn the best season for dividing my large clumps of plants. Pæonies carefully divided and reset now will bloom next season.

All members of the Iris family need some resetting, as they mat and crowd each other. I have often taken my resets from the center of the Iris bed. When the tubers have exhausted certain portions of the soil, fill in the space with fresh, rich earth, and replace a root or two, just enough to keep the symmetry of the bed. They abundantly repay me in added growth and beauty.

Never move a Day Lily unless absolutely necessary. When this is so, disturb the roots as little as possible.

Many people have an idea that Tulip beds must be replanted every third year. Yet I have

a friend who set a few golden yellow Tulips, and never again touched the bed. It spread and in a few years he had a mass of solid gold, in blooming time, three by six feet. His verdict was "Don't uproot your Tulips."

New York City.

Maude Meriath.

The plants that are injured by frequent resetting are those that have perennial roots. Tulips, Hyacinths, Narcissus and Crocuses, as a rule, do not suffer if reset during their resting period. If the bed of these bulbs is well drained and in a sunny place and the soil porous the bulbs do not need resetting more than once in three years. Unless the bulbs are of hardy varieties, however, many suffer during wet seasons and should be lifted when faded.

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Editorial.

Umbrella Plant.—After the Umbrella Plant (*Cyperus Alternifolius*) blooms and develops seeds the tops die or become unsightly, and it is well to rest it for several weeks, giving it a cool place and just water enough to keep the roots in good condition. When you wish it to renew its growth, cut the old tops off, repot in a pot two sizes larger, being careful to use tenacious soil and moderate drainage, and begin watering. When the Umbrella Plant has completed its growth, as stated, it will remain dormant for some time, and any attentions given it may prove detrimental rather than beneficial.

Rapid-growing Vine.—One of the most rapid growing of vines is *Ipomœa coccinea*. The seeds start readily, and the foliage is dense and handsome, and not troubled by insects. The flowers are small, scarlet and yellow, and remain open throughout the day. It is an annual vine deserving of general cultivation.

Starting Carnations.—Make cuttings of the young thrifty shoots that appear at the base of the plant, and insert them in sand. Keep constantly wet in a sunny place, but away from draughts of air. They will soon make roots, and be ready for potting.

Aconitum.—*Aconitum* seeds should be sown as soon as they are ripe. If allowed to become dry they will not start for several weeks or months if they start at all. The older the seeds the longer time is required to germinate.

GIANT POPPIES.

IF the grandeur and lasting character of the newer varieties of the Oriental Poppy were known by the masses of flower-loving people perhaps there would not be a garden without at least a few clumps of this gorgeous flower. The plants are readily produced from seeds, which may be sown during July or August, if not already in the soil, and their hardiness and increasing beauty from year to year is ever a source of pleasure to the gardener. As the seeds may be obtained at the nominal sum of from three to five cents per packet, the excuse of the high cost cannot be made by those who neglect to have this glorious flower in their collection of hardy plants.

The following interesting remarks about these Poppies are taken from the *Gardening World* of England.

"*Papaver Orientale* makes a grand show this year, I have hundreds of plants in various stages of growth, and only when seen in bulk can the fine effects of this superb and hardy flower be appreciated. Large masses of it grow here and there in remote places, where the rich coloring of the flowers looks in the greenery around, as striking as the glow of a setting sun. Even apart from the flowers which have now in some cases become from nine to ten inches across, the foliage is very beautiful also; indeed, it deservedly ranks among the most noble and elegant of foliage or hardy plants. These Giant Poppies are easily raised from seeds, but a fine strain should be obtained. There are now various paler hues, but none are so striking as the rich crimson-scarlet hues of the deep-colored ones. Would that we could induce this noble border flower to become double, like the old double *Pœonies*, as the flower would then be more enduring."

The seeds of *Perennial Poppies* are often tardy in starting, but usually come up in from three to six weeks. Sow them in a shady place, as the north side of a picket fence, and after watering well, place a piece of heavy paper over, securing it with sticks or stones to keep it from being blown off by the wind. Keep a close watch upon the bed, watering it when necessary, and removing the paper promptly when the plants appear. Protect from wind and rain and hot sun till the little plants get well started.

Rubber Plant.—The well-known *India Rubber Plant* is easily started from cuttings taken in the spring. Roots issue in a few weeks after the cuttings are inserted, and the plants should then be placed in three-inch pots of good soil. As soon as these pots are filled with roots shift into four-inch pots, and later into five-inch pots. Give less water in winter, when the plants are semi-dormant, and keep in a temperature of from 60 to 70 degrees. The plants do well in rather small pots according to their size, as they are grown freely and may be freely treated with manure water.

Moon Vine.—The white *Moon Vine*, *Ipomœa Mexicana alba*, is propagated from both seeds and cuttings. Seedlings do not bloom as early as plants raised from cuttings, but are more vigorous in growth. The cuttings are taken when the plant is full-grown, in autumn. The old plant can be kept over winter in the plant window if cut back and potted; water sparingly and keep in a cool or retired place.

EVER-BLOOMING PLANTS.

A SUBSCRIBER of the Magazine at St. Louis, Michigan, suggests that the adornment of homes with flowers would be general if the florists would inform the public what flowers would bloom from early in summer until late in autumn, and give directions for their arrangement and culture. This is not an easy task, when we consider how few plants will bloom continuously without special care, and how many persons object to these for one reason or another.

For general purposes very showy beds and borders can be made by using a good strain of the medium-flowered Petunias. The plants may be readily started from seeds, and will bloom throughout the season until after severe frosts. The only time they are not in bloom is in early spring, and the bed might be filled then with Pansies from another bed, by using care in transplanting. *Arabis Alpina* and *Aubrietia* grown in clumps the previous season



GAILLARDIA GRANDIFLORA.

and set in the bed very early in spring would answer the same purpose, but would not be so lasting. Dwarf *Nasturtiums* and *Zinnias* are also everblooming during summer and autumn. The former is especially delicate, brilliant and fragrant, as well as useful for cutting for table and room adornment.

There are a few perennials, however, that may be used for beds and are practically everblooming. One of these is *Gaillardia grandiflora*. Its flowers are on long stems, very abundantly produced, as indicated in the engraving, and if freely cut, to prevent seed formation will develop throughout the season. The flowers last for a long time, and are fine for vases or corsage flowers when cut.

Another perennial that makes a fine display every morning is *Linum perenne*, blue and white. The flowers are very bright and attractive, and make a mass of swaying, graceful color. As soon as the tops begin to fade cut them off and new growth

will soon appear and will renew the display.

For a showy trellis or bed *Lathyrus latifolius* in its colors—white, rose and carmine, can be safely recommended. It is a hardy herbaceous perennial, bearing clusters of large, Pea-like flowers in profusion, and if freely cut, so that seedling will be prevented, the bloom is continuous. When used for a bed some brush should be used to afford support for the vines. The value of this perennial is not generally recognized. Once established it will take care of itself, and it is always satisfactory. If grown upon a trellis it will reach the height of six or eight feet.

Geraniums, *Cannas*, *Verbena*, *Nicotiana Sylvestris* and the various bright-colored foliage plants are all fine for a summer display in beds or borders. Most of these can be raised from seeds, which are supplied by seedsmen at a trifling cost. The *Gaillardia*, *Lathyrus*, *Linum*, *Arabis* and *Aubrietia* may be successfully sown during July and August for next season's flowering; the *Pansies*, *Petunias*, *Nasturtiums* and *Verbenas*, if sown now, will bloom beautifully during the autumn months.

Weeping Willow in America.—A subscriber in Westchester County, New York, encloses a clipping from some periodical, stating that all of the Weeping Willows in America descended from a twig planted by the step son of George Washington not far distant from Washington's home. To give the statement a relish we are told that this twig was the gift of an English officer who expected the war to be short, and that he would plant it upon some of the confiscated lands, which he would possess. As a story it is good reading, but as fact it should be taken with a large "pinch of salt." The daily papers publish many such things, and a mountain is often made out of a mole-hill. It is generally safe to take but little notice of extravagant statements about plants, animals, and many other things which appear in daily journals. They are usually gossip or highly illuminated suggestions that have little or no foundation. They are rarely worthy of a second thought.

Baby Primrose.—The plant likes partial shade and a cool, moist atmosphere. Give it a light, porous soil and avoid keeping it constantly wet. Shift it into a larger pot as the roots develop. It will do no good when root-bound. The plants are easily grown from seeds, and come into bloom in three or four months.

Symphytum Aspernum.—A sister in Illinois asks about a plant with coarse foliage and clusters of blue flowers. It is probably *Symphytum aspernum*, commonly known as Prickly Comfrey. It is a member of the Borage family, a native of the Caucasus, growing four feet high, introduced in 1799.

WINTER-FLOWERING ROSES.

IF YOU wish Roses that will bloom in winter secure small plants now, pot them in three-inch pots of rich, tenacious, well-drained soil. When the roots begin to crowd shift the plants into four-inch pots, and when these are too small transfer the plants into five-inch pots. Give morning or forenoon sun, but shield the plants from the rays of the afternoon sun. Pinch off all buds, and aim to secure a good growth rather than flowers. When the cool nights come remove the pots to a window of a room without fire, and later to the general plant window, giving the plants at this time all the light and sun possible. They should now be allowed to develop buds and flowers. As a flower fades cut it off, taking with it a portion of the branch, provided there are no buds upon the branch to open. The buds always appear upon the new growth. Syringe every clear day, using hot water, and sometimes a tea of quassia chips, to keep down aphids and red spider. Tobacco dust or chopped tobacco stems placed over the soil around the plants will benefit the soil and keep off lice. Use such varieties as Hermosa, Queens Scarlet, Sanguinea, Appoline, Clothilda Souperbt, and Mlle. Francisca Kruger. These will not only bloom well, but be comparatively free from mildew, a disease that is difficult to treat successfully. The important point in growing Roses in the window is to have good varieties and grow them in pots during the summer, as suggested. To avoid drying out, the pots may be placed in a box with Sphagnum Moss or coal ashes about them.

Cemetery Plants.—Trailing, rooting plants are often recommended for cemetery planting, often because of their hardy and tenacious character, rather than their beauty and adaptability for the purpose. A correspondent at Washington, D.C., objects to such plants as follows: "Running or trailing Vines and Roses should never be planted in a Cemetery. They become a nuisance, and when left to themselves are not only unsightly, but spread and encroach upon the grounds of others. Those who plant them take no consideration for others, as a rule. They root at every joint, and when they encroach upon adjoining plots complaints are made and bad feeling caused. In the Woodlawn Cemetery of this city such plants are prohibited, and such prohibition should obtain at every Cemetery in the land." It is not uncommon to find old graveyards overrun with Myrtle, Thyme, Sedum, Gleckoma and other plants, and the suggestion above is sensible and timely. Properly cared for such plants might be a means of decoration, but unkept they are unsightly, disrespectful to the dead, and an unpardonable nuisance to those who give attention to the decoration of their plots.

A LOVELY CEMETERY FLOWER.

IF YOU want something rare and beautiful for the cemetery sow seeds of the *Linum perenne*. The plants are graceful, grow a foot high, and every morning show a glorious waving mass, of the most



clear and chaste flowers imaginable. The profusion of their bloom is wonderful, and they continue showy for many weeks. When the plants begin to appear shabby, cut them back, and new sprouts will issue from

the base, and the blooming season will be renewed. The plants are perfectly hardy, and as they propagate readily from self-sown seeds new plants are constantly taking the place of the older ones. It is to be regretted that this superb hardy perennial is not more common. Its beauty is enchanting, and its culture so easy that anyone can succeed with it.

Tea Roses.—These are the most delicate of everblooming Roses, and should be well protected at the North. When planted out to remain the planting should be done early in the season, so that the growth is made before the hot autumn weather comes, and protection can be applied before Christmas by covering the bed thickly with dry coal ashes. A board frame being placed around, and a close covering of boards applied, the roof sloping towards the North. Remove the ashes only when the weather becomes warm enough to start the buds. Replace the board cover on severe nights. All bedded Roses do better in summer if the plants are mulched with stable litter as the hot, dry weather approaches. If you wish the bloom to be continuous cut the fading flowers promptly, and remove a portion of the branch with the flower, provided there are no buds upon it or fresh shoots developing. Prairie Roses, Ramblers, June Roses and others that bloom only once should be pruned rather severely as soon as the plants have developed their flowers and show the faded blooms; but Tea and other everblooming Roses should be pruned sparingly and continuously during the season, to get the best everblooming results. July is still timely for bedding out the hardy climbing and summer Roses, as well as the Hybrid perpetual and hardier everblooming varieties, and those who have neglected to get such Roses as they wish should attend to buying and planting this month. A little shading and watering after planting will insure success in planting at this season.

Pot Culture.

THE FUCHSIA.

WE all love and admire the pretty Fuchsia, with its drooping branches and lovely scarlet and purple blossom bells. As many as thirty species of Fuchsia are native to Mexico and South America; some of them growing to a height of ten and twelve feet. Some grow and thrive on the mountain slopes in the extreme southern part of South America, and those who have visited these heights tell me that through the dry season, when their vegetation is parched and every leaf has fallen from their branches, the brave little Fuchsia still keeps putting forth plentifully, its brilliant blossoms to beautify and make cheerful the sere and barren heights. Other Fuchsias grow in the West Indies and New Zealand. Some kinds thrive best in swampy places, often forming the loveliest thickets, growing to the height of six or eight feet. It is said that about the time of the introduction of the Fuchsia into Europe as an ornamental plant, (which is more than one hundred years ago), a sailor brought to England from the West Indies one plant, of a very beautiful species, and presented it to his wife. The plant created much excitement and admiration among flower lovers. An enthusiastic horticulturist heard of it, and went with all speed to see the wonderful flower, and offered the woman a large sum of money for it. She declared, however, that her husband had given it to her, and charged her to take good care of it in his absence, and that she would not part with it at any price. The man was determined to carry away the plant, and threw down on the table a hundred pounds sterling, with the promise that he would take cuttings from the plant, and would give to her the two first which bloomed. The woman gave him the plant, and the happy horticulturist hastened home with his precious plant, cut off all the blossoms and blossom-buds, and made as many cuttings as possible. These were soon rooted and growing, and true to his promise he gave to the sailor's wife the first two that blossomed. Each plant was sold at one pound sterling, and in time the lucky horticulturist realized by the aid of Fuchsia slips alone the sum of two thousand pounds sterling. New varieties, larger flowered, and more beautiful, have been produced by cultivation since then. They are easily grown, and the plants are so reasonable in price that they find a place in the humble cottage as well as in the grand conservatory. I know of no house plant more beautiful than a double scarlet and purple Fuchsia in full bloom. One plant will decorate a whole window, and be a source of great pleasure, for, "a thing of beauty is a joy forever."

S. Minerva Boyce.

Washington Co., Vt., May 24, 1904.

A BEAUTIFUL FERN.

EVERY time I look at my beautiful Fern my heart is gladdened, and I rejoice exceedingly. This Fern, *Nephrolepis exaltata Bostoniensis*, was kindly sent me by a generous-hearted southern friend, more than a year ago. It was a well-rooted plant, and was planted in the pot in which it is now growing, which was much too large for the plant, but it was the only flower pot available. This pot is of some kind of smooth, dark ware. It is thinner than the common earthenware pots, and is dark brown in color. It is seven inches high, and flares with a scalloped edge at the top. It is over eight inches across the top. The bottom is attached to a saucer of the same. Near the bottom of the pot are three holes equi-distant. The Fern was planted with many a hope that it would grow in grace and beauty, and charm all beholders. Now, I can say with glad thankfulness that my hopes are more than realized.

A lady visiting here on Christmas, on entering the dining-room, exclaimed with rapture, "What a beautiful Fern! It is the most beautiful Fern I ever saw! It is a Boston Fern, is it not? A number of ladies in our town have Boston Ferns, but not one of them will compare with this, it is so fresh and thrifty! Do give it to me!"

This Fern has never been reset; fresh soil has not been added to it; fertilizers have not been applied to it. All summer long it was shielded from the sun, except for a little while in the late evening.

In the center of the pot there is a clump of eleven fronds which are thirty inches long, and grow higher than the others, and they all incline outward from the center, and the ends of all droop with the most exquisite grace. Among these there are many unfolding fronds of a delicate, light green color. Around this middle clump there are three other clumps equi-distant, all inclining outward with graceful, drooping ends. In one group there are five long fronds with several upholding fronds; in another group are four fronds, and in the last group there are three, each group with unfolding fronds.

Singular to state, from each hole near the bottom of the pot, fronds are growing luxuriously. From one, six fronds are spreading out, fan-like, from twelve to fourteen inches long. The other two holes have each four fronds. This pot of Ferns stands on a slender black stool which is two feet high, and stands in front of a window that is filled with flourishing plants. The effect of this graceful Fern in its lush growth and rich coloring is unique and singularly beautiful.

Ada Gist.

Mason Co., W. Va., Jan. 1, 1904.

[NOTE.—The new Pierson Fern is similar to the Boston Fern, but the fronds are plume-like and wavy, with a grace and richness surpassing the older sort. It is a grand Fern, and it may soon surpass the Boston Fern in popularity.—Ed.]

Garden Culture.

CANNAS.

CARE OF THE AUTUMN FLOWER GARDEN.

WITH proper care and the selection of late blooming plants the Flower Garden can be made attractive quite late in the autumn. It is a mistake to think that it is not necessary to take out the weeds and grass late in the season. Nothing gives the garden a more neglected or desolate look than to see the beds overgrown in this way. As soon as the blooming season of a plant is over and the plant itself begins to lose its foliage, and look ragged, if an annual, pull it up and throw it away. If a perennial, cut down and place the tops over the roots as a mulch, or to keep in place of a richer mulch to be put on later. Plan and begin to plant for next year's flowers. Put in all the bulbs you possibly can; they come so early and are so bright and pretty. Plant in the sunniest, most sheltered bed, seedling Pansies, if you have been thoughtful enough to have them; if not, and you have old plants, cut back the long branches and put them in the bed, and tuck in a few Sweet Violets, too. Keep the Sweet Pea vines, or anything of that nature, and when it gets quite cold lay them over your Pansies. They will keep the snow from packing down closely and smothering them. Trim any plant that may need it, and keep all tall growing ones staked and neatly tied up. Where annuals self-sow it is best to leave a few stalks, as such plants seem hardier and come on earlier than if the seed is sown in the house or boxes, besides saving much work in the spring. Lide.

Allen Co., Kans., Dec. 2, 1903.

Ferns.—These are greater favorites with many than are flowering plants. The soil for Ferns should be porous and well drained. Some bog Ferns require a wet, stagnant soil.

How delighted I was when I found my first Maiden Hair Ferns in the forest, for this dainty plant does not grow near my home. I took up many roots, but they did not live. This may have been from lack of care, although one lady has said that she finds it very easy to raise this Fern, providing it with plenty of moisture and a shady location. Alice May Douglass.

Sagadahoc Co., Me., Apr. 23, 1904.

Evergreen Beds.—To avoid the trouble of taking care of ordinary plants, some have evergreen beds; others set aside corners of their lawns as miniature woods, introducing native Ferns, Mosses, and Evergreens. In a "bed" the trees should be clipped each year that they may not crowd each other. Alice M. Douglas.

Sagadahoc Co., Me., Apr., 1904.

I HEARD a woman say last year, she did not care for Cannas, and could not understand why some people were enthusiastic over what seemed to her a very inferior flower. I felt somewhat surprised, but made no comments, as I knew she was a well informed woman on most subjects; thinking perhaps she really found no beauty in them. Tastes differ frequently, but a few days after I noticed a bed of Cannas in her next neighbor's back yard. They were all the old-fashioned, small-flowered varieties. One glimpse at that bed explained much. She never had grown the large-flowered sorts. There are few flowers which illustrate the possibilities of the florist's art or craft more thoroughly than the Cannas do. Madam Crozy may be truly called the Alpha of the new Cannas, as it was one of the first large-flowered ones, although the plant is of dwarfed dimensions.

Tioga Co., N. Y.

Sarah Rodney.

Cosmos.—The beautiful Cosmos, I had last summer! I never saw any thing their equal. I got my seeds early and sowed it in boxes in the house and transplanted. The first ones were caught with a very late frost and killed, but the next ones were just fairly started to grow, when we had the terrible flood. After which my Cosmos lay on top of the ground covered with mud, I took them up, washed them off with clean water, and reset them, and by watching them and shading till they were started I got them to grow. In fall some of them were over six feet tall and nearly as wide as regular trees, and literally covered with blossoms, some red, some pink, and some pure snow white, and, oh! what a reward for my pains. Such loads of lovely flowers. You could pick and pick and still there were more, and they lasted until frozen down with the cold. I would advise any one wishing lots of beautiful flowers to plant Cosmos. They are of the easiest culture. Be careful not to get too thick, for they grow so large and strong if given room. I shall have more of them this season. Mrs. B. L. F.

Dickinson Co., Kan. Apr. 4, 1904.

Strobilanthes.—I find *Strobilanthes Dyerianus* in many respects equal to *Coloeus*. The plants are more hardy, the foliage just as attractive, with the additional beauty of a silvery metallic luster on the purplish foliage, while the bloom is fragrant and beautiful.

Mardin Co., Ky. Mrs. J. S. Hughes.

Heliotrope.—The *Heliotrope* makes a delightful plant for the garden, and should be extensively grown for its exquisite perfume. It is easily raised from seeds and makes a fine bedding plant. L. M. K.

Barry Co., Mich., Apr. 21, 1904.

Trees and Shrubs.

MY OLEANDER.

My Oleander is small and frail;
I can carry it in my arms;
Bent are its branches with weight of bloom,
Of Wild Rose tints; and its perfume
Comes to me where I stand.
It has traveled with me through many a State,
Has gone from home to home;
I cherish it much, but when duty calls,
I can leave it, for it will weather the storm
And greet me again with its blossoms pale,
Great soft beauties I hold in my hand.

Fremont Co., Colo., May 16, 1904. A. M. H.

THE BURBANK ROSE.

THIS new rose is claimed by its originator, Mr. Burbank, the noted horticulturist, to have been the best out of seventy-five thousand cross-bred seedlings raised by him, and also that it is absolutely perpetual as to its blooming. The introducers who purchased the stock from Mr. Burbank for \$500, also state that it is the freest blooming Rose in cultivation. However this may all be, my experience for two seasons with this novelty has impressed me very favorably as to its good qualities, and I believe it worthy of the widest culture. It is a strong, bushy, more than usually symmetrical growth, with foliage little troubled by disease or insects, and is quite hardy, so with slight protection it will endure an ordinary winter's cold. I found the Burbank to be the best and most constant bloomer of my dozen or more varieties of Roses, though Mme de Watteville proved to be a good second throughout the growing season. It is seldom or never without buds or flowers, and is a most profuse bloomer. The Roses are pink or cherry-crimson in color, slightly fragrant, and quite double—about two and one-half inches in diameter. The petals are well curled, or rolled back at the edges, giving the flower a somewhat peculiar, though fine form. While the Burbank has neither the large size, the splendid form, the charming color nor the exquisite fragrance that makes the LaFrance such a favorite, yet in its freedom of bloom and in its handsome, enduring effect as a bedder it has few superiors in all Rosedom.

C. H. Denniston.

Steuben Co., New York.

Rose Mildew.—A correspondent, from Texas, complains about a disease that has attacked her Roses, and sends specimen leaves affected. It is mildew, the growth of a parasitic microscopic plant, for which the only effectual remedy is a soluble form of sulphur. Some recommend stirring sulphur liberally into the soil about the roots to prevent the attack, while some advise dusting affected foliage with equal parts of lime and sulphur, using a coarse sack to distribute the material over the foliage.

THE BIRD OF PARADISE.

AN interesting native shrub four to six feet high, that grows on the semi-desert sands of Southern Arizona, is known by the above name. It has a small thorn, but not so noticeable as the thorns of other plants here. The foliage is graceful, the lace-like leaves bearing a resemblance to some of the Acacias. It is named from the flower of the shrub, which is bright canary yellow and cardinal, in shape strangely resembling the bird of Paradise, with its brilliant plumage. A shrub in full bloom looks like a number of gaily colored birds poised on a bower of green. The flowers give place to a bean-pod about two inches in length, in which are found the seeds of the plant. The seed-beans look not unlike the seeds of some of the flowering Peas. The seeds come up early, and the shrubs grow rapidly. It has been known to bloom the first year. Many persons set the shrub in their yards and cultivate it as an ornamental plant. Cattle do not eat its leaves as they do the foliage of the Mesquite. Ad. H. Gibson.

Cochise Co., Arizona.

[NOTE.—The Bird of Paradise is known in catalogues as Poinciana Gillesi. It is easily grown from seeds, which may be obtained at five cents per packet.—Ed.]

Flowering Shrubs.—I am glad to see an article recommending the planting of shrubs, in a late number of our Magazine. When my parents came to this place in 1867, there were purple Lilacs, flowering Almond, Snowballs, Syringas, and all sorts of hardy Roses, also the Sweet Clove Currant. Most of these are living still, or their descendants, rather, only the great Snowball bush was killed by insects. Since then we have added various Altheas, Tree Honeysuckle, Spireas, the Crandall Currant, and the two we prize most of all, Wiegelia rosea, and the sweet white Lilac. With these, and our various Pæonies, Lilies, and other hardy perennials, we hardly need plant an annual unless we wish, except late ones. Early in the season and especially for Decoration Day, we have flowers for all, and for late blooming the Altheas bloom on and on, and like me, when I talk about flowers, don't know when to quit. M. M. McIntyre.

Cass Co., Ind.

Local Names.—New local names are of but little value in making inquiries. Here is a note asking about the care of a "Pink Calla" and a "Christmas Lily." What plants are referred to is a mystery. The "Pink Calla" may be a species of Arum, as A. italicum, A. dracunculus or A. crinitum, plants, which should do well in a shady place with the tubers covered in potting, and given plenty of water while growing. "Christmas Lily" may be pink and white Zephyranthes. Pot these in November.

Floral Poetry.

IN MY LADY'S GARDEN.

In my lady's garden fair,
Blossom flowers rich and rare,
Fragrant blooms beyond compare;
In my lady's garden.

Spruce and Fleur-de-lis are there,
Perfume spices all the air;
Incense rises everywhere,
In my lady's garden.

Butterflies go out and in,
Cunning spiders scheme and spin,
Eden, having not the sin,
In my lady's garden.

Lilacs blossom by the gate,
Violets in shadows wait,
Lilies cluster, slim and straight,
In my lady's garden.

Buttercup and Columbine,
Rosemary and Eglantine
Grow like damsels sweet and fine,
In my lady's garden.

From their humble earthly beds
Tulips raise their lovely heads,
And the Grecian Myrtle spreads,
In my lady's garden.

Spider Lilies showing blue,
Close beside regretful Rue,
Purple Heartsease taries, too;
In my lady's garden.

Ivy vines to scale the tall
Breastwork of the granite wall,
And the Apple blossoms fall,
In my lady's garden.

And I love each leaf and stalk,
And each well-remembered walk,
And each snatch of careless talk;
In my lady's garden.

And I long to enter there,
Long to view that vision fair,
Long to breathe the enchanting air,
In my lady's garden.

But my longing comes too late;
Vainly I lament my fate;
Caste is the guardian of the gate
Of my lady's garden.

Windham Co., Vt. Arthur H. Goodenough.

FROST FLOWERS.

They were all I had, my neighbor said,
When she brought a dainty wreath that day,
And their whiteness gleamed on the coffin lid,
When our wee, sweet babe was borne away.

Later I watched our two boys at play,
Their wagon heaped like a load of hay,
And perched on top, eyes shining with joy,
His hat wreathed with blooms rode one merry boy.

While his brother served
As a pining stool,
And with white lilies decked
Was fine indeed.

I think as I walk in the field to-day,
Of that picture sweet, or that picture fair,
Of the one little boy, a child no more,
And the other, long gone from a mother's care.

For the dear little driver grew tired of play,
And went home to rest on autumn night,
And my eyes are dim, as I stop today,
To gather a bunch of Frost Flowers white.

Marion Co., Ill.

Mrs. Alice M. Parker.

TIS GOOD TO BE ALIVE.

When nature pure and blest,
In bliss so manifest,
Shall robe Earth's barren breast,
And new life shall appear;
'Tis good to be alive,
To see the flowers thrive,
To see the birds arrive,
And their sweet songs to hear.

To feel the restless breeze,
That strays o'er breathing seas,
As on it ever flees,
With gathered ghosts of time.
A tapestry unrought
With history unsought,
With fragrance it caught;
We know it is sublime.

To lie in shady nooks,
And hear the rippling brooks,
To con but nature's books,
To watch the brown bees strive,
Through sunny summer hours,
In all the fragrant bowers,
Inlaid with fairest flowers;
'Tis good to live.

Champaign Co., Ohio.

Hattie Heartsease.

RETRACTED.

A SEQUAL TO "MISSION OF A ROSE."

Now I abhor the scent of Roses,
The lush, gold roses of radiant July;
Always and always shall I abhor them,
Forever and ever till I die!

Yellow and scented and heavy, and languid,
Oh! my heart! How I hate thy bloom!
For they grew that evening down in the garden,
And my lover held one, telling my doom.

I shall always hate the mild, sweet summer,
For it holds July in its throbbing heart—
July with its roses and music and moonlight,
Always, I say, shall I hate the summer,
With its tender breezes, and dusk-starred sky.
I shall hate it with deepest and fiercest passion
Forever and ever till I die!

Chenango Co., N. Y.

Vera Warren Payne.

LILIES OF THE ANNUNCIATION.

Are they Angels 'mong the flowers,
Those Lilies that are fair,
As the sunlight that is streaming,
Through richly perfumed air.

Are they sentinels 'mong the flowers,
That stand in moonbeams light,
Safely guarding silent Nature,
While slumbering 'neath their sight.

Are they heralds 'mong the flowers,
And through their sweetness sing,
With the angels in the star light,
Of Peace that Christ shall bring.

Ont., Can.

Mrs. Percy Punsheon.

OX-EYE DAISIES.

Where Daisies grow,
Like fields of snow,
Tis where my little one's foot-steps go;
With sparkling eyes,
He gaily cries,

"Stars afield are like stars in the skies."
He kisses their petals pure and white,
And his love for the daisy flowers white,
Fills his young heart with fond delight.

Philadelphia.

Eske E. Collier.

Garden Culture.

HYDRANGEA, THOS. HOGG.

IMPERIAL CENTAUREA.

I HAD excellent success with the new Imperial Centaureas, and shall plant them again this season. Their only fault is in blooming so early that they are all gone long before the season is over. The remedy for this would be to plant them at different times to furnish a succession of bloom. They grow readily from seeds, plants blooming when quite small. The seeds were planted in the hot bed, and the seedlings were transplanted to the cold frame early in May. Before I could get them bedded out, about June first, many of the plants had large buds. Bedding them out did not harm them, the buds opening in a few days in fine shape, so I think the plants are bound to bloom even under adverse circumstances. The blooms are large, with finely cut petals, are very fragrant, and come in pure white and shades of lilac. They are borne on long, slender, wiry stems which make them fine for cutting, and they keep a long time in perfect condition when cut, and are fine for bouquets.

Marian Meade.

Winnebago County, Ill.

Mirabilis or Four O'clocks.—I have several colors of this old-fashioned flower. They bloom beautifully from the first of June until Jack Frost slays them. Any one wishing a flower sure to bloom, I would advise to try *Mirabilis*. Here in Oregon they make immense roots that live for years in the ground, and are nicer every year. I have some clumps of them that are twenty, or thirty years old and bloom without any care.

L. E. H.

Douglas Co., Oregon.

Carnations.—To hold together Carnation Pinks that split their calyxes, slip a small rubber band close under the flower heads.

Eliza Bradish.

Worcester Co., Mass., Aug. 29, 1903.

WITH pleasure it is that I want to tell your readers about my *Hydrangea*. It is perfectly hardy. I begin to cut the flowers the first of June. They make up so beautifully with the *Smoke-tree* bloom. For at least six months the bushes are a perfect mass of bloom. Some of the heads are as large around as a breakfast plate. I cut them by hundreds, and when they begin to fade I cut them all, but there is always fresh bloom coming, and I cut the last in October. I call it a perpetual bloomer. Of

course it does not bloom very full all summer, but at any time I can get a handsome bunch from it. They look like a *Snowball*, and I prize it much higher than I do *H. Paniculata*. It sends up a great many canes from the root, growing about six feet, and increasing very rapidly. — Eugenia, Mason Co., Tex.

The Memory of Home Flowers.—

Too much cannot be said on the subject of beautiful back yards and of the influence a few flowers have to extend over the family in the years to come. In nearly every floral paper you will find an inquiry for some flower that mother used to grow years ago, and the story of the red *Pæonies*, as distinct heirlooms passed from one generation to another. This should teach us busy people to plant a *Rose* bush, a clump of *Iris*, a bed of *Pansies*, or row of *Sweet Peas* or any particular flower that suits our fancy, right where we must necessarily see it many times during the day. You may be sure that such *Roses*, *Lilies*, and flowers never had their equal in the memory of the little folks, in the years to come. And the desire to extend the beds, will cover the shed with vines, and *Ricinus* will make a fine hedge to shut off any unsightly view. Don't think you haven't the time, neglect something else rather, and as for want of strength, 'tis a wise physician who sets his patients to gardening to gain strength. We all can have flowers. In the country a bed of wild flowers and *Ferns* is very desirable.

Sheb. Co., Wis.

Mrs. T.



IMPERIAL CENTAUREA.

Bulbous Flowers.

EARLY FLOWERS.

MILK AND WINE LILY.

IF one has a large, strong root, or bulb to start with there is no difficulty in getting it to grow, and consequently to bloom, but if the bulb is small and inferior, there will be a long wait for the flowers, and a severe trial to the patience of the grower. Half a dozen times, or more, I have gotten the bulbs and planted them only to see them dwindle and die. Discouraged in my attempts to grow them I crossed them from my list. But, one day ten or more years ago, I was so fortunate as to receive a large bulb of the Milk and Wine Lily from a friend. The bulb was put up in a package by itself and sent through the mail; and really, when received the package was in appearance like a small ham, and almost as large as one. I selected a partially shaded place for it, a hole was dug in the grass, the soil was mellowed and the bulb planted, I will confess with many misgivings. In the fall I thought, "it will surely die," and did not have anything placed over it for protection from the cold. However, to my surprise and pleasure it came up in the Spring and bloomed freely. It seems to have a charmed life. It has, unprotected, survived the cold of every winter since then, and often the water has been over it for days, and days at a time. It has formed quite a large clump and has bloomed every summer. I have known it to throw up six or seven stalks in succession, often two or three at the same time and every stalk to produce from ten to fourteen flowers. In the late summer I gathered a handful of the large bulb-like seeds, and laid them in a shallow vase on the mantle-piece. They laid there undisturbed and dry, for four or five weeks, and one day I perceived that they were starting to grow. They had indeed sent out roots two or three inches long, without receiving one drop of water. I then transferred them to more congenial quarters. My Milk and Wine Lilies are now coming into bloom, four clumps of them. One of these has six flower-stalks, and counting buds and open flowers each stalk has from twelve to fifteen. The other three clumps have, each, only two flower stalks. These are full of buds. I expect these Lilies to continue sending up flower-stalks all through the summer and fall, as they did last season. I shall remove the flower-stalks when their flowers fade.

Mason Co., W. Va.

Ada Gist.

Calla Lily.—When a Calla fails to do well in a pot, bed it out in a shady place during summer, and let Nature care for it until the cool nights of Autumn. It can then be lifted and repotted. Those who are not as successful as they wish with the Calla, however, should try some of the Azore Callas.

FOR one who cannot give much attention to plants the best results come from planting bulbs that the freezing weather will not injure, as the Tulip, Narcissus, Hyacinth, Crocus, Ixias, Sparaxis, Saxifraga, Triteleia, Allium, Scillas, Snowdrop, Ranunculus, Iris and Lilies. For these, make the beds a little higher than the surface, as they need good drainage. The soil need not be rich. Use old manure only when the soil is poor. Plant in September, October or November and late in the Fall cover with straw, litter or leaves. In early spring, remove this covering as soon as the little shoots start. When the blooming season is over the leaves turn yellow and die. They can be taken up and stored in the cellar if desired, but the better way is to leave them in the ground the whole year.

The pure white Snowdrop awakening amidst the green from its snowy bed is first to nod a good morning and smile admiringly to the Scilla, with its tall flower spikes of deepest blue and the silken robed Crocuses just peeping from the ground. After these come the Hyacinths with their massive spikes of exquisite perfume, whose stately grandeur can hardly be surpassed by the brilliancy of the beautiful Tulip, and the lovely fragrance of the Narcissus, whose golden petals seem to outvie the sun.

These are bulbs especially valuable as their bloom makes the garden beautiful in the early spring time, when they are most appreciated.

Mrs. Mary E. Wallace.

Benton Co., Ark.

Plants for a Bulb Bed.—The best plants for setting in beds are Hyacinths, Tulips, or Narcissus, especially when you do not wish to lift them. Asters, Balsams, Petunias, Salvias or Coleus may be used in the bed afterwards. The new fancy Coleus make splendid beds. The foliage is much prettier than many flowering plants. Keep the flower buds pinched off. It keeps the leaves bright longer.

M. M. T.

McDowell Co., N. C. Mar. 1, 1904.

Lilies and Freesias.—Start Bermuda Lilies and Freesias as early as the bulbs can be secured, if you wish the flowers during the holiday season. This is usually about the first of August. Good bulbs cannot be obtained before then, but if started then, the plants have five months to grow and develop flowers. As the weather is favorable during these months success is more certain than if the planting is deferred until later.

Freesias after Blooming.—Set the pots away in a dry cool place till August, then shake the bulbs out, repot and water. They will soon renew their growth.

Floral Miscellany.

ABOUT FERTILIZING.

DO NOT follow too blindly the council of some weekly newspaper and cheap story paper floricultural column. A great many of these same columns are written by inexperienced persons, merely to fill up space at a stated sum per inch. For instance on the subject of fertilizing, we are told that barnyard manure or chicken droppings are excellent to enrich soil in our flower beds and around our house plants, with never a warning word as to the condition it should be in when used. Chicken droppings should never be fresh when put around any plant unless it be one's purpose to cremate it. I always save the droppings and mix them evenly with soil and some soot from the chimney cleaning, and in from three to six months I have a fine potting soil. Fresh barnyard manure is much too strong also, and I have known several people to give their lawns a dressing of barnyard manure and then wonder whence came so many strange weeds. I have adopted a plan this year, which I believe will work well. I am having all the manure thrown into the chicken yard, and after the biddies have worked it over, I'll warrant there will be no seeds left. Then, by fall I will have a good dressing for our small lawn. And another thing we must remember along this subject is to never give a plant a stimulant unless it is in a good growing condition. We all know how we loathe food when we are sick, and when a plant is not growing it is either sick or resting and in either condition should be left alone.

May R. Christensen.

McDonald Co., Mo.

Leaves Dropping.—To prevent the leaves from falling from Geraniums and other plants, when they are put out in the spring, I set them out on a table or bench in my shed, which faces south. Every warm day I open the windows and leave them open until sunset, if the weather is suitable. When the time comes to set them outdoors I am in no hurry to get them out of the pots, but set them on the piazza for another week, leaving them out all night. I seldom lose a leaf, while the plants of my neighbors, who were in a hurry to get them to growing, look as though the fire had been through them.

Adella Veazie.

Knox County, Maine.

Remedy for Scale.—My Otaheite Orange was bothered with scale, but I got rid of them by washing it with suds of Common Tar Soap, every three or four days, and did not rinse it off. I think it could be used for any other plants in the same way.

McLean Co., Ill. M. E. Foreman.

HOW I IMPROVED A BACK YARD.

A LONG, high wire netting with a gate at one end was placed as a screen for wood and lumber. Twelve varieties of annual vines, my mother's old favorites, adorn it. A pile of brick was used as a foundation for a large water tank. Some large drainpipe was used as plant vases; the small ones were grouped as standards for boxes. Two flower beds, running parallel with the wire, with a pathway between, were prepared. Woodbine climbed an old tree at one corner. A refuse barrel, vine-covered, became a pretty mound of green.

Georgiana A. Prescott.

Essex Co., Mass.

My Flower Barrel.—I took a small paint barrel and bored holes all around it. I made three rows of holes around the barrel, then I filled with dirt up to first round of holes. I stuck moss that has small yellow flowers in each hole then filled the barrel up to next row and planted more moss, and so on till the barrel was full of soil. On top I planted moss and around the edge, and an old hen and chickens in the middle.

Crawford Co., O. Lotta J. Garverick.

FOOD FACTS.

What an M. D. Learned.

A prominent physician of Rome, Georgia, went through a food experience which he makes public:

"It was my own experience that first led me to advocate Grape-Nuts food and I also know from having prescribed it to convalescents and other weak patients that the food is a wonderful rebuilder and restorer of nerve and brain tissue, as well as muscle. It improves the digestion and sick patients always gain just as I did in strength and weight very rapidly.

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THE BACK YARD.

NOW that the garden is all in and the flower beds in the front yard laid out, let us turn our attention to the back yard. First let us run vines over every rack and shed. For this purpose, the White Bean, Wild Cucumber, Madeira, or Morning Glory will be excellent; for the children can derive much pleasure from a packet of mixed Gourd seed. Over in the corner or along the fence where Burdocks or Cockle burs have heretofore taken possession, we can have a group of Sunflowers as well as not; the great tall kind, and the little bushy ones at the foot of them. And when their seeds begin to ripen, if there is a wild canary within miles of you, he will come with his wife and all his wife's relation, and give you free concerts every day. And let the children have a row of Marigolds and one of Zinnias and see how many varieties of butterfly visitors they can count. In August, when the sun has baked the more aristocratic flowers in front, mother may take her sewing and sit with the children in their cool garden. May R. Christensen.

McDonald Co., Mo.

My Fertilizers.—I have been asked quite often what makes my flowers look so healthy. I think it is the soap suds I give them every week. I let my wash water stand until evening, then I water my plants with it. I use soft soap to wash with. I do not know how other soaps would do. When I take the soot out of my wood stove I always sprinkle it around my flower plants on the ground close to the roots. For my Sweet Peas I use fine manure and plenty of it. I spade it under in the spring, when I plant the Peas, then give them plenty of water in hot weather.

Letta J. Garverick.

Crawford Co., Ohio, July 20, 1903.

Protecting Pansies.—I have a board edge around my Pansy beds, and after the ground freezes, never before, I place other boards across the bed but not so that they touch the plants. My Pansies keep their buds all winter, and are all ready to begin work when I take off the sheltering boards in the spring. Care must be taken not to take the sheltering boards off, for good, too early. Freezing and then thawing is what kills them. Adella F. Veazie.

Knox Co., Maine.

Walks Free from Grass and Weeds.

—To keep stone or brick walks free from grass, pour on boiling hot water. It kills them immediately if they are small, and they soon dry so they can be swept off.

Mendocino Co., Calif.

L. M. B.

Dried Specimens.—Have a book in which to place wild flowers from every State in the Union.

A. M. D.

Maine.

PLANTING SEEDS.

PLANT in rows an inch and a half apart. Make a depression by running the finger between the rows, one-half or three-fourths of an inch deep, plant the seed on the ridges thus formed, when the plants are up, water by using the depressions as little irrigating ditches, thus avoiding getting water on the tiny plants which so often makes them damp off. Lide.

Allen Co., Kan.

Rooting Geranium.—In cool weather root in bottles of water. Set in a sunny window. One can increase their bedding stock rapidly in this way. When rooted pot and soon they make nice plants. Lide.

Allen Co., Kan.

Smothering Plants.—I have learned that plants which keep their green leaves during the early winter, must not be heavily covered. It smothers them. I killed a whole bed of Sweet William's that way, once. Adella F. Veazie.

Knok Co., Me.

COFFEE CATARRH.

An Unsuspected Case.

It is curious how many diseases come from a disordered nervous system which locates disease in some part of the body and the primary cause can often be traced to coffee which first breaks down the nervous system. A Georgian says:

"There is no doubt coffee gave me nasal catarrh. The ceptim in my nose was all gone and the catarrh was eating its way, getting hold of the main bone of the nose. It also affected my sight very much.

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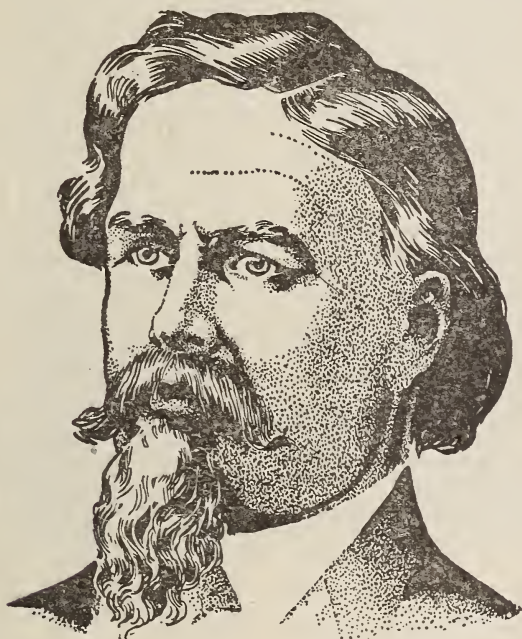
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Anchusa affinis, splendid blue perennial.
Aquilegia, large-flowered, glorious new varieties of Columbine in splendid mixture.
Arabis alpina, new compact, white-flowered sort.
Aster, Large-flowered Perennial Hybrids, a superb French strain; lovely fall flowers of various kinds.
Aubrietia, masses of red and violet bloom in spring.
Beilis, Giant Double Daisy, charming hardy edging; fine for pots; white, rose, crimson, red; finest mixed.
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Campanula, Large-flowered, Peach-leaved, mixed.
Campanula, 15 spindled sorts in fine mixture.
Campanula, Canterbury Bell, double, single and Cup and Saucer, in all colors, mixed.
Carnation, New Hybrids, early, large, scented, double flowers; all hues mixed; bloom first season.
Carnation, Hardy Garden, double, finest strain, all colors and markings, mixed.
Chelone glabra, New French Hybrids, fine mixture.
Daisy, Burbank's New Shasta, choicest strain.
Delphinium, New Orchid-flowering, special mixed.
Digitalis, Foxglove, all the choice sorts mixed.
Dianthus Chinensis, lovely Pinks blooming the first season; all colors and markings in finest mixture.
Erigeron, New Hybrids, very handsome; mixed.
Foxglove, see Digitalis; lovely Gloxinia-like flowers.
Gaillardia grandiflora, new compact, a superb summer bedding hardy perennial.
Genista, Red and Gold, very showy, beautiful Broom.
Gerardia, new hybrids, finest mixed.
Gypsophila paniculata, elegant bouquet flower.
Heuchera Sanguinea, new Hybrids in fine mixture.
Heracleum giganteum, giant ornamental plant.
Hollyhock, Finest Double, special mixture of colors.
Hollyhock, New Hybrids, single and double, mixed.
Linaria variegata, Honesty; new.
Linum perenne, blue and white perennial flower; mixed.
Linum, perennial sorts, complete mixture.
Myosotis, (For-get-me-not), New Large-flowered, special mixture.
Ostraciskia magnifica, elegant Giant Bell flower.
Peas, Perennial, handsome, climbing, everblooming hardy plants; flowers white to rich red; mixed.
Phlox, Perennial, branches of rich bloom; mixed.
Pinks, Park's Everblooming, hardy and fine; single and double; superb mixture.
Picochee, double, richly scented, elegantly marked; mixed.
Poppy, Perennial, gorgeous; flowers nine to ten inches across; many shades; beautiful; mixed.
Platycodon, large, single and semi-double; one of our finest hardy perennials; blue and white mixed.
Pansy, Rømer's Giant Prize, complete mixture of all colors; plants vigorous and bushy; flowers of enormous size, fragrant and exquisitely marked.
Primrose, Garden, a choice strain of many sorts; complete special mixture.
Perennial Cosmos, Pyrethrum Roseum Hybrids; special mixed.
Polygonum multiflorum, a free-blooming hardy vine; white clusters.
Polygonum lanigerum, hardy silvery foliage plant.
Rocket, New Dwarf, sweet, Phlox-like panicles; mixed.
Sabia pratensis, rare and elegant hardy perennial.
Saponaria ocyroides splendens, a grand spring-blooming plant; a mass of clustered pink blossoms.
Sweet Williams, Giant Holborn Glory; mixed.
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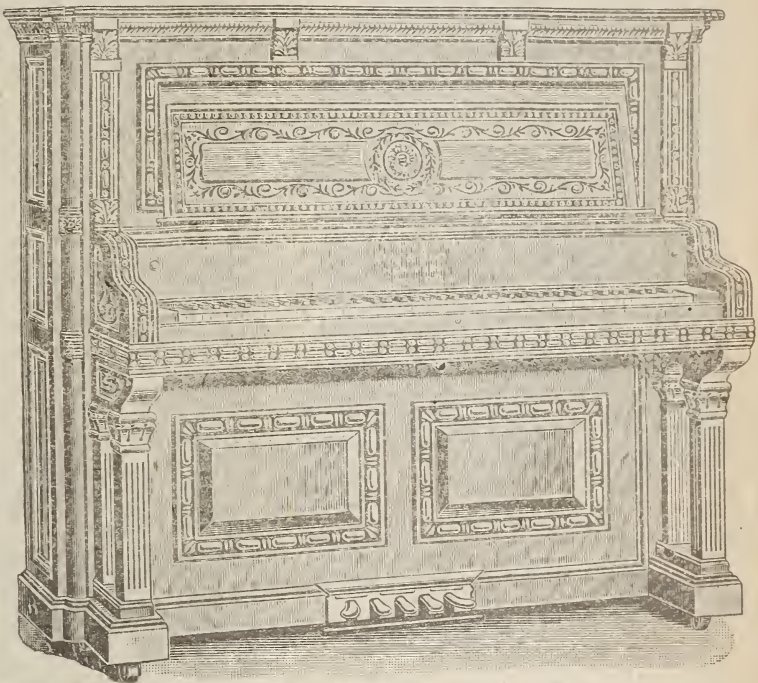
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Dear Mr. Park:—Mamma has been taking your Magazine four years, and we all love flowers. I am eight years old. I have a cat and rabbit. I am learning to play the organ. My brother Willie plays the guitar, and Milton the Mandolin.

Nellie Celia Grimes.

Barry Co., Mo., May 9, 1904.

Dear Mr. Park:—I am nine. My Papa is dead, and I live with Grandma. She takes your Magazine, and likes it. I have three pigeons and some bantam chickens for pets. My favorite flowers are Roses, Hyacinths, Tulips, and Pansies.

Leona Sargeant.

Meigs Co. O., March 22, 1904.

Dear Mr. Park:—I like to read the Children's Corner, and I want to tell about my Carnation. It has had several flowers on already this summer, and I like it very much. The plants are easy to start from seeds.

Ruth Goodyear.

Sedgwick Co., Kan., May 3, 1904.

Dear Mr. Park:—We love the Ten Week's Stocks. Ours grew to be a foot high, and had such pretty, fragrant flowers. We are all fond of flowers, and mamma likes to read the Magazine.

Ida M. Weed.

Chickasaw Co., Ia., Mar. 31, 1904.

Dear Mr. Park:—I am in the fourth grade and like to go to school very much. I am taking music lessons. My pets are a dog, cat and duck. I love flowers, and look monthly for the Magazine. York Co., Me.

Alice I. Johnson, aged 12.

Dear Mr. Park:—I got the seeds you sent me, and thank you for the extra package. I am 7 years old. My mother loves flowers and so do I.

Marion F. Bolen.

Warren Co., Va., May 19, 1904.

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TO THE CHILDREN.

My Dear Little Floral Folks:—Last month I told you about my house near the water. The bank along the water's edge is fringed with blooming shrubs and overhanging trees, and as we do not keep cats around "many birds of many kinds" have their nests among the foliage. The cat-birds build in the low, dense shrubbery, the red-breast robins select a forked branch higher up; the woodpeckers, wrens and blue-birds build in the hollow limbs, and the golden robins choose the high, swaying branches of the overhanging Elms. The pec-wee, king-bird, and a host of little warblers have nests here or near-by, and you should just hear the concert they have every morning. As I listen to their delightful melody the thought often comes to me, "How happy and contented these dear little creatures are! How much pleasanter would this world be to live in if the human creation would show the happy and joyous spirit of the birds. Too often we think of the dark side of life, and wear a long, care-worn face, when we should give the greater part of our time to considering and enjoying the good things of life." Isn't this a useful lesson to learn from the singing birds? From our dining-room window we have a lovely view of the shrubs and trees and water, with the lake and vine-clad rocks beyond the dam, and when the door is open the mellow, musical roar of the water-fall greets the ear. But I want to tell you of something else that adds to our pleasure. If you will look up into the little Elm you will see a new nest, and a little head and tail projecting above. That is the home of robin-red-breast, and on that swaying branch, nearby you will see him at almost any hour of the day and hear his happy song. Morning, noon and evening, yes, every hour, he cheers his mate and inspires her with hope by his song of joy. One of these days several little heads will peep out of that nest, and two happy birds will work and watch and sing to rear their little ones and teach them to fly and sing and avoid their many dangers.

Between the dwelling and the bank there is a grass plot, and if you will go out with me upon the piazza I will show you robins, black-birds, cat-birds, wrens, song sparrows, and other birds hopping around getting food for themselves and their little ones. Where there are no cats and no bad boys to frighten and destroy, the birds get very tame. They learn to know their friends as well as their enemies, and I have known them to alight upon the out-stretched hand and eat from it without fear.

And now I want you to see that graceful little tree in full bloom near the dam. It is simply a Wild Cherry (*Prunus serotina*). The flowers are white, borne in tail-like racemes, and so numerous that the whole tree is a mass of white and green, both bloom and foliage showing in charming, graceful sprays. Isn't it beautiful? And do you see those tall Locust trees which line the avenue by the greenhouses, and show on the hill near my home? Did you ever see so many clusters of bloom before? They are literally covered with the long, swaying racemes, and their fragrance makes the whole atmosphere redolent with sweetness for miles around. With all of these things to enjoy should we not like the birds, have such exultant feelings that their natural expression would be in smiles and songs and words of cheer? And should not our cheering influence, like the fragrance of the Locust bloom, reach for many miles around?

The Editor.

La Park, Pa., June 4, 1904.

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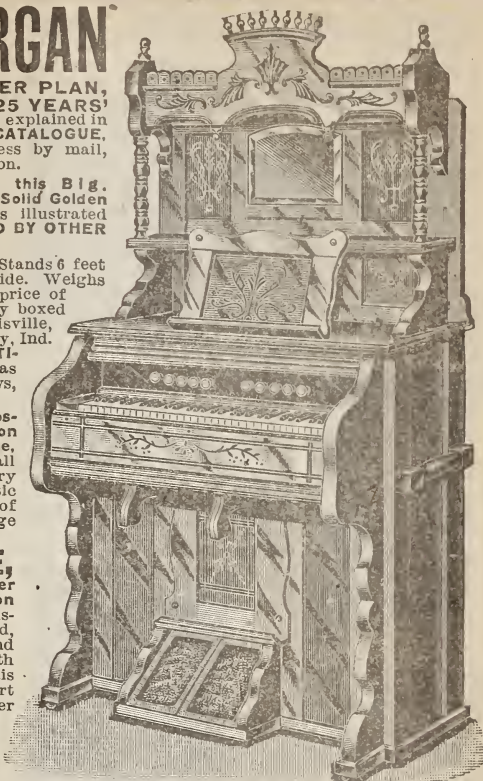
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Will ring the wedding bells, so sweet; I know they cannot fail.

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Hannah Molloy.

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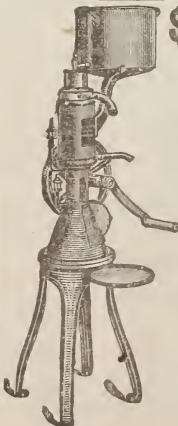
Dear Mr. Park:—I am a little girl twelve years old, and live on a farm. Mamma has taken your Magazine for about five years. She says she could not do without it. We have good success with all seeds we buy from you. Mabel McClure.

Miller Co., Mo. Apr. 17, 1904.

Dear Mr. Park:—I love to read the little letters in the Floral Magazine. We have lots of flowers in summer, and always send to you for seeds.

Trumbull Co., Ohio Gracie Bell French.

Dear Mr. Park:—I have a Parrot 13 years old. Its feathers are of many different colors. I also have two dogs, named Queen and Bruno. I am twelve. Sadie Hall.



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Mrs. Anna Teeters.

Lane Co., Ore. May 15, 1904.

Mr. Park:—I received your Floral Magazine for which I thank you most cordially. I feel that I have missed a great deal of useful information by not having received your Magazine earlier.

S. C. May 31, 1904.

Mrs. D. A. Johnston.

THE ST. LOUIS FAIR

Mr. Albert E. Vassar, of St. Louis, concludes verses upon the great Fair now in progress there as follows:

All nations of the universe,
Have sent along their wares;
And we'll not name them here in verse,
(They're numerous as our hairs)
But here are stationed at our side,
The skillful works of man,
Here's every human race and tribe,
With customs of their land.

Then come and see the grandest sight,
That mortal man can see,
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To join our jubilee.
Come see what knowledge hath been gained,
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Albert E. Vassar.

APPRECIATION.

Mr. Park:—The Gloxinias you sent me all bloomed, and were the handsomest ones I ever saw.

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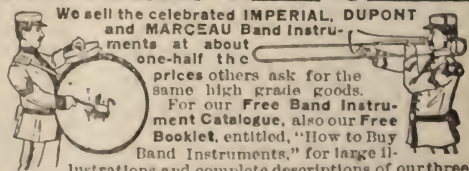
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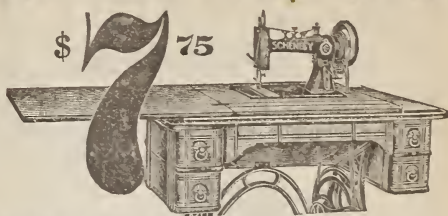


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Dear Floral Friends:—Those who have trouble with the chickens among their flowers should try a flower bed in the kitchen garden. I have one, 95 by 12 feet, and have flowers in it from March to December. It lies by the side of the fence, which is very useful for Sweet Peas, and other climbers. I was born and raised in England and love to have the dear English flowers here, so my garden is bright with Fox-gloves, Wallflower, Double Daisies, Forget-me-not, and Lavender. I find they grow very well here if protected in winter with brush. My bed is bordered with White Pinks. Last Spring we picked 4,740 blooms and left as many more on the plants. The border looks like a line of snow and the perfume scents the air for a long distance around. My green-house plants I keep on the porch in summer, and in the pit in winter, for I have a good brother who has made me both a pit and a cold frame for violets, and I do wish every flower lover could have one of the latter, for the pleasure those violets give is indeed very great. I never have any trouble raising plants. My only enemies are frost and insects. I would like to have a receipt to make plants stop growing, for my Achillion grew this summer, nine feet high, my Achania five, and a Latana four, all of them loaded with bloom, until frost. I was sorry to cut off the great branches to make room for them in my pit this fall. What lessons of love and tenderness we learn from our gardens; not only in the flowers themselves but also in the insects that visit them. When I see my Petunias and Poppies all cut up into semicircular pieces, I cannot help but admire the little bee, whose mother love has taught her to hang the walls of her nursery with neatly laid pieces she has cut out of our brightest flowers. Yes there is a whole world going on in our flower beds that doubles the interest of growing flowers. I am not here speaking of the injurious insects which we are obliged to exterminate. I could write a volume on the way I have out-witted the cut-worm, black-lice and a black beetle that eats my Asters just as they begin to bloom, and many others. H. E. M. Botetourt Co., Va.

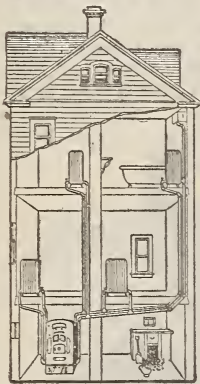
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FLOWERS IN A SMALL CORNER.

I was spending a year at Salt Lake City with a beloved sister and her family. In March I took a run down to Los Angeles for a few weeks' diversion. Noticing beneath the hedges of Geraniums, numerous thrifty seedlings, my hostess suggested that I fill a part of my covered lunch basket with nice young plants to take back with me. There were numerous young Double Daisies, Nasturtiums and Geraniums. When I returned to Salt Lake City, it was a problem where to plant them. Along the front fence were Poppy beds, and it was a daily experience to see the little Mormon boys reach through the fence and carry off the gay blooms almost as fast as they opened. The rest of the ground was a violet lawn, beautifully cared for and not to be broken. But there was an angle at one end of a small square pillared porch, facing east and south, that was offered to me and accepted gratefully. I hoped the Nasturtiums were climbers, and would fill in the end open space of the porch, so they were nestled close to the stone wall. Then half a dozen Geraniums, and outside all the Double Daisies were nestled in thickly for an edging to the little flower plot. You can't think what feelings of home, what a reservoir of unmixed delight that corner gave to me. Watching for growth, waiting for colors, and observing the individual characters of each plant, a place to haunt. With an old steel fork to loosen soil, or a water jet, morning, noon and night, I found the advisability of giving much time to a small space, instead of having multitudes of unkept flowers. I had the joy of giving, as well as so much receiving. And they were a beautiful and constant reminder of the sunny south and where they had their birth. The Double Daisies were almost an unbroken line of white blooms, with an occasional pink-tipped variety, to add to their charm. The Geraniums, scarlet and pale pink, only semi-double, but each blossom large and multifarious in number. I think of many a dear child as coaxing for a posy garden this spring, and want to intercede for the little girl, before "No," has been said, for lack of room. If there is nothing better give her a half barrel. Let vines trail over its sides, and gay blossoms fill its center. Janetto Champaign Co., O.

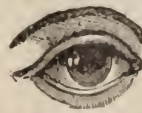
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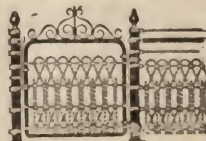
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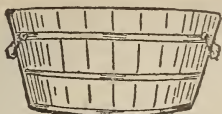
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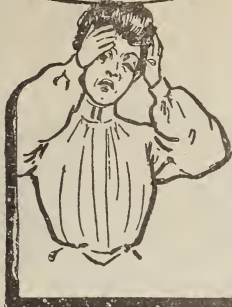
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"No one can stay in the house and have any fun. If I had a gun I would go hunting," said ten-year-old Johnny, with a very unbecoming frown on his face.

"But Johnny, at what would you shoot?" asked his mother. "Surely, not the poor, half-starved birds we see flying about?"

"Of course I would!" answered Johnny, throwing himself down upon the sofa. "I shot at one a few days ago with Tom Smith's gun, but I don't know whether I struck it or not."

"I didn't know my little boy would be so cruel. What if the bird is hurt! Just think, how it must suffer!" said his mother, putting some coal on the fire.

Johnny did not answer, but buried his face in the sofa cushions.

In a few minutes a very strange thing happened. Our little boy found himself out in the backyard, a short distance from Fido's kennel.

"Peep, peep!" came a voice from somewhere.

Johnny looked toward the kennel and saw a little bird come out of it and hop over the ground towards him. It was the same bird at which he had shot, but he did not know that till later.

"What do you want?" said Johnny, crossly. He did not wish to be bothered just then.

"What do I want!" exclaimed the bird. "That is a nice way to talk to me after having killed my four young ones!"

"I have never killed a bird in my life," said Johnny. "I shot at one a few days ago but I did not strike it."

"Yes you did," persisted the bird. "Look at my wing."

Johnny did so, and saw that it was badly hurt. "But I did not kill your young ones," he said, beginning to feel very uncomfortable.

"Go to the barn, and look in the nest above the door, and you will see."

Johnny ran to the barn, and after having climbed to the top of the ladder that stood by the door, took a peep into the little round nest. Sure enough, there they were; four little dead birds, cuddled together as if they had been trying to keep each other warm. Yet Johnny could not understand why their mother should say he had killed them.

"Poor little things," he murmured, as he jumped to the ground and went back to where he had left the crippled bird.

"You know as well as I do," began the mother-bird, "that birds do more good than harm. It is true, they eat a great many cherries and other fruit in summer, but the trees and plants would die if the birds did not catch the worms and bugs that eat the tender leaves and bark. What do they get in return? Thoughtless boys throw at them and some are caught in snares and placed in cages and the young ones that are unable to fly and look for food are left in their nests to die."

"One day, just after I had left my nest of young ones to look for some breakfast for them, you

shot at me and the bullet struck my wing. I fell to the ground and you went off with your friends. I cannot tell you how I felt when I thought of my children, for I knew they would starve or freeze before I would be able to return to them. I hopped over to that kennel, and there I found some crumbs. I tried, again and again, to fly, but I could not use my wing. I heard my small young ones cry and I answered in as cheerful a voice as I could. Their cries grew fainter and fainter until at last I heard them no more. Then I knew they were dead, for such small birds cannot long remain from under their mother's wing without freezing to death. Now I beg of you, take me to my nest for a last look at my children, and I will trouble you no more."

Johnny was both ashamed and sorry. He gently lifted the bird in his hands and after walking to the barn, again ascended the ladder.

The bird cried sadly and shed many tears over the little ones, and Johnny's heart did ache very much.

Just then, another strange thing happened. He found himself falling—from the sofa to the floor.

"What is the matter, dear? Have you been asleep?" asked his mother, smiling.

"Did I hurt it?" was his strange reply.

"Hurt what, dear?"

"Why, the little bird!"

His mother laughed. "You have been dreaming," she said.

Johnny rubbed his eyes and thought a moment.

"Of course, I have!" he exclaimed. "Birds can't talk," and he laughed too. Then he told his mother all about his dream, saying he did not care as much for a gun as he used to, for he thought he knew just about what a bird would say if it could talk.

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Dear Mr. Park:—I am a little girl eleven years old. I am going to school, and am in the fifth grade. My mamma has taken your Magazine for a long time and likes it very much. I have a little garden of my own. I have plenty of Hyacinths. I have no pet. I am the only girl, but have four brothers. **Louisa Normand. Avoyelles Co., La., Feb. 22, 1904.**

Dear Mr. Park:—I am a little girl eight years old. I have two sisters—Bessie and Kate. My sister Bessie takes your Magazine. I like to read the Children's Corner. I have a pet dog, and I can drive him wherever I want to. I like horses very much. My papa has four horses. Their names are Frank, Jennie, Clara and Bessie. **Bradford Co., Pa. Beatrice Wrisley.**

Dear Mr. Park:—My cousin has taken your Magazine for seven years. I am a little girl nine years old and go to school every day. I love flowers and have a flower bed all my own. My cousin has loads of nice flowers.

Grace Rinehart.

Adams Co., Pa., Oct. 3, 1903.

Dear Mr. Park:—My mamma has taken your Magazine for several years, and we all read it. I am twelve years old. I got a big doll last Christmas. I go to Sunday School and sometimes to Christian Endeavor. There is a big fire on the mountain near our place. The men are fighting it. **Lillie Zeis.**

Franklin Co., Apr. 21, 1904.

Dear Mr. Park:—Pansies are my favorite flowers. Last summer I had a big box of them which bloomed all the time. I have a cat named Slipper. Grandma takes your Magazine and likes it very much. I am going to take music lessons this summer. **Alta McInturf.**

Morgan Co., Ohio, Mar., 28, 1904.

Dear Mr. Park:—I am eight years old and live on a farm. Mamma has planted your seeds for a good many years, and has lots of house plants. She didn't have any to freeze last winter. My favorite flowers are Pansies and Sweet Peas.

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There in peace and sweet contentment,
Dwelt a mother with her son.

Here this son in calm seclusion,
Seeking not for worldly fame,
Lived to give this mother pleasure,
And support her tottering frame.

Far away from jarring discord,
Far away from noisy street,
Lived this son whose great affection
Made his happiness complete.

There they watched the bed of Pansies,
Little flowers so low and meek,
Looking in our face so friendly,
As if thanks they wished to speak.

Side by side they watched together,
Tender flowerets, bud and bloom,
And for those she loved the dearest,
Thoughtfully he furnished room.

Then this frail and aged mother
Calmly closed her eyes in sleep,
In the sleep that knows no waking,
Leaving him alone to weep.

Now this son quite sad and lonely,
In this cottage home doth dwell,
Guarding well the bed of Pansies
That his mother loved so well.

Listening to the murmuring water
As it ripples o'er the stones,
Listening to the thrushes calling,
Calling in its plaintive tones.

And the God that reigns above us,
Watching all with tender care,
Surely looks with an eye of pleasure,
On that scene enacted there.

Lackawanna Co., Pa.

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[NOTE.—The above pretty verses about the Mountain home referred to in the Magazine some months ago were overlooked, or they would have appeared sooner. They are worth preserving in print.—Ed.]

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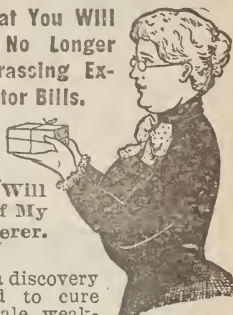
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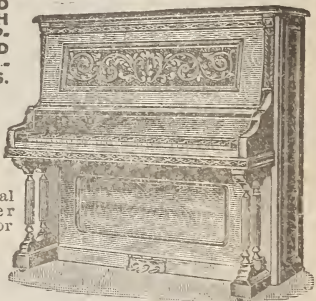
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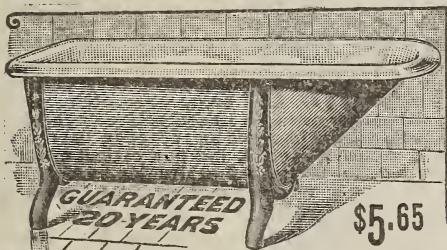
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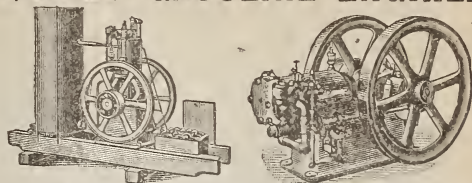
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